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28th Annual October Rededication Colonel Allensworth State Historic Park October 9th 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

EARLIMART, Calif. - Park officials announce today that Colonel Allensworth State Historic Park and the Friends of Allensworth Cooperating Association will be hosting the twenty eighth October Rededication on October 9th. Allensworth was founded in 1908 and is the only California town to be founded, financed and governed by African-Americans. This event is presented to honor, recognize, and celebrate the contribution of African American pioneers in California and the nation's history.

Descendants of pioneer families, supporters, dignitaries, and visitors from throughout the state will attend this event. This year's Program will include historical demonstrations such as candle making and butter churning. Several activities will encourage children to participate. There will be Park volunteers will be on hand at many of the buildings to provide historical information.

The stage presentations will feature speakers and live entertainment. Vendors will be on hand selling food and arts and crafts items.

The rededication event will be held at the park from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The park charges an entry fee of \$4.00 per passenger vehicle (\$3.00 for senior citizen), \$18 per 24 or less passenger bus, and \$36.00 per 25 or more passenger bus.

Colonel Allensworth State Historic Park is located in Tulare County, approximately 75 miles south of Fresno and 38 miles north of Bakersfield, off Highway 99.

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